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Applicant BODY HEAT LTD.		

1. This international preliminary examination report has been prepared by this International Preliminary Examining Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.

2. This REPORT consists of a total of 3 sheets.

☐ This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, i.e., sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis for this report and/or sheets containing rectifications made before this Authority. (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT).

These annexes consist of a total of 0 sheets.

3. This report contains indications relating to the following items:

- I ☒ Basis of the report
- II ☐ Priority
- III ☐ Non-establishment of report with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability
- IV ☐ Lack of unity of invention
- V ☒ Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- VI ☐ Certain documents cited
- VII ☐ Certain defects in the international application
- VIII ☐ Certain observations on the international application

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**I. Basis of the report**

1. This report has been drawn on the basis of *(Substitute sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to the report since they do not contain amendments)*:

☒ the international application as originally filed.

☒ the description, pages 1-9 , as originally filed.

pages NONE , filed with the demand.

pages NONE , filed with the letter of \_\_\_\_\_.

pages \_\_\_\_\_ , filed with the letter of \_\_\_\_\_.

☒ the claims, Nos. 1-16 , as originally filed.

Nos. NONE , as amended under Article 19.

Nos. NONE , filed with the demand.

Nos. NONE , filed with the letter of \_\_\_\_\_.

Nos. \_\_\_\_\_ , filed with the letter of \_\_\_\_\_.

☒ the drawings, sheets/fig 1 , as originally filed.

sheets/fig NONE , filed with the demand.

sheets/fig NONE , filed with the letter of \_\_\_\_\_.

sheets/fig \_\_\_\_\_ , filed with the letter of \_\_\_\_\_.

2. The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:

☒ the description, pages NONE .

☒ the claims, Nos. NONE .

☒ the drawings, sheets/fig NONE .

3. ☐ This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box Additional observations below (Rule 70.2(c)).

4. Additional observations, if necessary:

NONE

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**V. Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement****1. STATEMENT**

Novelty (N)

Claims 1-16 YESClaims NONE NO

Inventive Step (IS)

Claims 1-16 YESClaims NONE NO

Industrial Applicability (IA)

Claims 1-16 YESClaims NONE NO**2. CITATIONS AND EXPLANATIONS**

Claims 1-16 meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(2)-(4), because the prior art does not teach or fairly suggest bonding of the metallic electrode to a PTC element using an electrically conductive adhesive containing finely divided silicon carbide and finely divided silicon.

----- NEW CITATIONS -----

NONE